Bauxite Reserves in Gujarat

1274. SHRI KANAKS1NH MOHANSINH MANGROLA: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has been conducted/undertaken to study the quantum of bauxite available in various districts particularly in Porbandar, Kachh and Palan Pur area of Gujarat;

(b) the estimated reserves of bauxite in the areas; and

(c) the measures contemplated to set up alumina factories utilising bauxite reserves in Gujarat?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimated reserves of bauxite deposite district-wise are as follows:— *(in million tonne)*

District	Name of Areas	Total Reserve
Jamnagar	Kalyanpur area	19.47
Kachh	About 270 deposits/ individual prospects	29.0
Kheda	4 small areas	1.25
Junagarh	Porbandar-Veraval	28.0
Banaskanta	Palanpur	Nil

(c) The Central Govt, has no proposal to set up any public Sector Refinery for making Alumina based upon the available Bauxite reserves in Gujarat. However, in recent past, the Govt, of India has given approval to M/s. Gujarat Alkalies and Chemicals Ltd. to set up a new 100% EOU Alumina Plant based on the Bauxite reserves from Kachh and Saurashtra'districts.

Production of Fruits and Vegetables in India

1275. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is the largest producer of fruits and second largest producer of vegetables in the World, as reported in the 'Hindustan Times' dated 21.11.95;

(b) whether at present India is suffering from a loss of 20-30 per cent per year in horticulture production owing to lack of facilities for storage, infrastructure and food processing; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to minimise such losses alongwith expenditure out of the allocation of funds made for the development of horticulture plan-wise and State-wise particularly during the Eighth Five Year Plan and if the expenditure incurred is less, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir, as per FAO production year book 1993.

(b) Yes, Sir. As per report of Dr. M.S. Swaminathan than titled "Perishable Agricultural Commodities (1981)", post harvest losses in fruits and vegetables is upto 25-40% due to inadequate and unscientific handling of fruits and vegetables.

(c) During 8th Plan, Rs. 109.85 crores has been earmarked to National Horticulture Board to undertake steps to minimise post harvest losses of perishable horticulture produce. The Board has launched four schemes in this regard.

During previous plans periods no separate allocations were made for post harvest infrastructure facilities. During 8th plan period State-wise allocations have not been made. The details of expenditure incurred under four NHB schemes is enclosed in Annexure. [See Appendix 175, Annexure No. 33] The

utilisation of fund was less as limited number of suitable proposals were received.

Famine in Rajasthan

1276. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether despite good rains and floods in many parts of Rajasthan, the State is heading for a famine this year;

(b) if so, whether several districts in the State where no rainyflood situation arises are also under famine constantly;

(c) if so, whether the Central Government propose to send a Central Team to Rajasthan to investigate the districts affected by famine; and

(d) the assistance the Central Government propose to provide to the State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) According to the Government of Rajasthan, 25468 villages in 29 districts are experiencing drought conditions in varying degrees. However, it is a fact that rainfall has been above normal in most parts of Rajasthan in the current year.

(c) There is no proposal at present to depute a Central Team.

(d) Government of Rajasthan has a Calamity Relief Fund allocation of Rs. 168.99 crores for 1995-96, out of which Rs. 126.74 crores is contributed by the Government of India.

मध्य प्रदेश को सिंचाई हेतु धनराशि का आवंटन

1277. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव**: क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) वर्ष 1993-94 और 1994-95 के दौरान केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा मध्य प्रदेश को सिंचाई हेतु जिलावार कुल कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की गई हैं;

(ख) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान राज्य में जिलावार कुल कितनी सिंचाई क्षमता का सृजन किया गया हैं;

(ग)क्या सरकार ने राज्य के छत्तीसगढ़ क्षेत्र में सिंचाई सुविधाओं की कमी और मानसून की अनियमितता जन्य प्रतिकूल प्रभावों के संदर्भ में कोई सर्वेक्षण करवाया हैं;

(घ) यदि हां,तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या हैं;और

(ड़) इस योजना की शेष अवधि के दौरान जिलावार कौन-कौन सी उपलब्धियां प्राप्त होने की संभावना हैं ?

जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी.वी.रंगैया नायडू): (क) और (ख) मंत्रालय वार्षिक आधार पर केवल राज्य स्तर पर सृजित सिंचाई क्षमता का और आबंटित की गई निधियों का परियोजना/योजना –वार ब्यौरा एकत्र करता हैं और रखता हैं । मध्य प्रदेश का अपेक्षित उपलब्ध विवरण निम्नलिखित हैं:

क्षेत्र		किया गया व्यय (करोड़ रूपए में)		सृजित सिंचाई क्षमता (हजार हेक्टेयर में)
	1993-94 (वास्तविक)	1994-95 (संशोधित परिव्यय)	आठवीं योजना का लक्ष्य (1992-97)	संभावित उपलब्धियां (1992-93 से 1994-95 के दौरान)
वृहद एवं मध्यम लघु कमान क्षेत्र विकास-	318.89	242.10	450.00	202.00
(i) राज्य क्षेत्र	9.61	13.00	-	-
(ii)केन्द्रीय क्षेत्र	2.89	1.63	-	-